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Anticipating law and order trouble

Security beefed up around MUDA Office

Mysuru, Aug. 24 (RK&DM)- With the Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA) under intense scrutiny due to daily revelations of a massive multi-crore site allotment scam, the Police have implemented stringent security measures around the MUDA Office on JLB Road to prevent any potential disturbances.

Previously, the MUDA office was a bustling hub of activity for real estate brokers, agents, touts and political figures. However, it now stands deserted, with only officials present in their respective sections and Policemen stationed outside to maintain order.

Following the discovery of the massive scam in the first week of July, various organisations began staging demonstrations in front of MUDA, calling for action against the accused and demanding dissolution of the body.

As the protests continued unabated, the Police took swift action, increasing security around MUDA Office from July 10. In response to the scale of the scam, the Government constituted a probe team **led by IAS Officer** and later established a **One-man Judicial Commission** headed by Justice P.N. Desai to conduct a thorough investigation. It simultaneously ordered the suspension of all MUDA activities and operations until further notice.

With all MUDA activities halted, the general public has stopped visiting the MUDA office. Apart from the staff, only a few members of the public are seen on the premises, with the number of Policemen now exceeding the number of visitors.

Since July 10, a team of 10 Police personnel led by a Sub-Inspector from Lakshmipuram Police Station, along with five of City Armed Reserve (CAR) and a KSRP platoon of 25 members, has been stationed around MUDA 24/7 as part of the Police bandobast.

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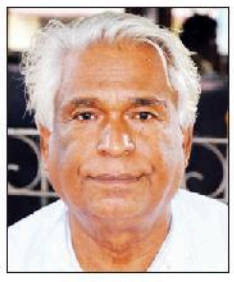

D. Madegowda

'Ask Justice Santosh Hegde to investigate MUDA scam'

Former CITB Chairman D. Madegowda writes an open letter to CM Siddaramaiah

Justice Santosh Hegde

Mysuru, Aug. 24 (BCT)- The MUDA has already made national headlines due to the site allotment scam. The scam took an explosive turn with allegations that even Chief Minister Siddaramaiah's wife benefited in crores of rupees from these questionable allotments. Yet, no action has been taken to clean up MUDA by the CM or the government.

Reacting to the scam, former City Improvement Trust Board (CITB, now MUDA) Chairman D. Madegowda, popularly known as 'Mane Madegowda' for his pivotal role in the 'Asha Mandira' housing project when he headed CITB, has spoken out. Madegowda, also an ex-MLC, has written an open letter to CM Siddaramaiah, urging to cleanse the MUDA, stem the rot, take action against the guilty and restore the public trust in the institution.

At the crux of the letter is Madegowda's suggestion to hand over the MUDA scam investigation to former Lokayukta Justice N. Santosh Hegde, who is an upright person and who has a clean and honest image.

"Ask Justice Santosh Hegde to investigate all the land deals of MUDA and let the entire scam be exposed. Take all the land from illegal beneficiaries and distribute them to the much deserving 84,000 site aspirants who have been waiting for MUDA sites for nearly 40 years. The poor and middle-income group people will remember you till their last breath. Make the people remember your work done in your second tenure as CM," Madegowda stated in his letter.

"I believe it is a honour for the people of Mysuru that you have become the CM twice. After 42 years in politics, I think the time has come for you to express your gratitude to people of Mysuru. I sense that, in your long political career, you may have never felt as much anguish as you have now. This stems from the controversy surrounding the 14 sites your wife received from MUDA, with allegations that this was influenced by your official power," he wrote.

(See MUDA on page 8)

STAR OF MYSORE

"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Saturday 24th August 2024

Classical Vocal Music by Vid. Shri Hari Bhat tomorrow

Vid. Shri Hari *Vid. Arjun* *Vid. Sai Keshav* *Vid. Subrahmanya*

Mysuru, Aug. 24- Sri Thyagaraja Sangeetha Sabha Charitable Trust will present a classical vocal concert by Vid. N.H. Shri Hari Bhat at 6 pm on Aug. 25 at Sri Lakshminarasimha Gayathri Temple, SBM Colony, Srirampura.

He will be accompanied on violin by Vid. Arjun Dinakar, on mridanga by Vid. Sai Shivu Lakshmi Keshav and on ghata by Vid. P. Subrahmanya Kumar.

Profile: Vid. N.H. Shri Hari Bhat started learning music at a tender age under Vidu. Mangala, and further took the guidance of Vid. D.V Nagarajan, *Padma Shri* Dr. R.N. Tharanathan and *Sangeetha Kalanidhi Chitravina* Ravikiran. Presently he is being mentored by Vid. A.S. Murali, Chennai, disciple of Vid. P.S. Narayanaswamy. A talented artiste since his school days, Shri Hari Bhat has won many awards.

A 'B-High' graded artiste of AIR, Bhat has performed in several prestigious music sabhas across the State and Tamil Nadu.

The promising young musician is a practising Chartered Accountant by profession.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

DON'T NURTURE A SENSE OF OWNERSHIP: ***The Isha Upanishad, also known as Ishavasya Upanishad/ Sree Ishopanishad/Manthropanishad is one of the shortest upanishads but holds its own importance due to its pithy verses related to the essence of living, the concept of true knowledge, relationship between*** *atman* ***and*** *paramatman,* ***and is the main referral at Vedanta sub-schools and forms a powerful influence on many sub-schools of Hinduism.***

The very first verse begins with the words *Ishavasya idam sarvam...* ***meaning that the whole universe is pervaded by the Lord. The living beings are advised to live as tenants in the house of the Lord, taking good care of the premises but always ready to move on when the owner chooses. The sense of ownership should never set in, although one may be paying tax on large tracts of estate.***

It is always God, the creator, who owns the universe. There is an interesting story in the epic Mahabharata that brings home this point. Towards the end of the Kurukshetra war, Ashwathama, being a loyal friend of slain king Duryodhan, wipes out the five children of Draupadi and also shoots the deadly *brahmastra* ***on the womb of deceased warrior Abhimanyu's wife, Uttara, in order to eliminate the last seed of the Pandavas. Uttara beseeches Lord Krishna to protect her baby and the Lord obliges by keeping vigil inside her womb.***

But soon after the baby is delivered it gets killed by the fatal weapon of Ashwathama. As the mother cries out to Krishna, he returns for the rescue.

A huge crowd gathers and one amongst them is Krishna's childhood friend. Krishna declares that if he were not a liar, thief or a libertine, the baby would come back to life.

As the baby cries out and people break into cheers, the friend confronts Krishna saying that they both, as playmates, had visited the gopis' houses, stolen butter and later denied it, and so how could Krishna have spoken otherwise?

The Lord then replies that his friend certainly ate stolen butter but he did not, as the whole universe was his and he had merely entered one of his houses and eaten butter. So how could he have become a thief? As a vindication of this, the baby has come back to life, he says.

— Sandhya Vasudev in Deccan Herald

NEWS SPARKLERS

Pop characters using flowers and leaves

Montreal: Raku Inoue is a talented Canadian artist who specialises in carefully arranging flower petals, leaves and other plant parts to recreate pop culture characters, animals, and pretty much anything else you can think of.

Inoue's journey into painstaking floral art began one windy day in 2017. He was in his Montreal home watching the strong wind shake dozens of pink petals from a rose bush in his backyard. Seeing delicate petals on the ground, he thought to himself "What a waste!" and went to pick them up. The Japanese-born artist came up with the idea to use the petals to create art. He arranged them in the shape of a beetle with small twigs for legs, and his little project turned out so well that he kept at it. Today, Raku Inoue is famous for his impressive portfolio of plant art, which includes original recreations of popular characters like Super Mario or Godzilla, various insects and animals and even brand logos.

Swinging bridge puts your balance to test

Beijing: Swinging Bridge is a simple yet hard-to-master game that has been around for about a decade, has been growing in popularity all over China.

Try to keep your balance on a wobbly rope bridge without falling off. This competitive balance game puts players' body to the test. It is usually played by a dozen players split into two teams on opposite sides of a wobbly bridge above a shallow pool of water or soft mattresses to cushion the fall of those who can't keep up with the rhythm. Each team tries to swing the bridge from one side to the other to put the other team off balance until one side remains standing. It's a simple premise, but staying on your feet as the bridge moves at dizzying speeds requires perfect balance and coordination.

HEALTH CAPSULE

What is ART? Assisted Reproductive technology (ART) a procedure which involves removal of egg from the partner's ovaries and combining with man's sperm in the lab.

By Dr. Dinesh Kumar T P - Consultant – Urology and Andrology Manipal Hospital, Mysore

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**** Health Capsule is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature***

Day-long Yuvotsava in Mysuru on Aug. 27

Mysuru, Aug. 24 (GA&DM)- As part of International Youth Day, city-based GRAAM (Grassroots Research and Advocacy Movement), in association with Department of Social Work, University of Mysore (UoM) and GSS Groups, will be organising a one-day 'Yuvotsava' event at Vijnana Bhavan in Manasagangothri campus on Aug. 27.

Announcing this at a press meet here on Wednesday, GRAAM Executive Director Dr. Basavaraj R. Shreshta said that MP Yaduveer Wadiyar will inaugurate the event at 11 am on Aug. 27, in the presence of UoM Vice-Chancellor Prof. N.K. Lokanath and other dignitaries.

The day-long event will feature street plays on social justice, education and economical empowerment, climate change etc. It also features poster-making, quiz contests and reel-making contest, he said.

MLA Darshan Dhruvanarayan, MCC Commissioner Ashaad Ur Rahman Shariff, Srihari of GSS and other dignitaries will attend.

Srihari, Bhagavan Bidarakote, Sinchana M. Gowda and Vishnu were present at the press meet.

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REALLY...?

- ***Bats have thumbs: The thumb usually has a substantial claw, which is used for climbing, food handling and more.***
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- ***Sharks lay the biggest eggs in the world.***
- ***Cheetahs only need to drink once every three to four days.***
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VOICE OF THE READER

Ring Road bus service must avoid City Bus Stand

Sir,

This is related to the newly launched city bus service to the Outer Ring Road (ORR), as published in *Star of Mysore* on Aug. 16. While it is commendable that city bus services are improving, the Dasara mission to reduce congestion in the Central Business District (CBD) will not be achieved with this new routing of city buses.

I wonder why Mysuru city bus services cannot bypass the City Bus Stand (CBS). During Dasara, these additional buses will still pass through the CBD, exacerbating the congestion.

Star of Mysore has frequently highlighted the need for circular bus routes as a solution to the congestion caused by buses in the CBD. Implementing such routes would also save time for commuters travelling between neighbourhoods like Vidyaranyapuram to Kuvempunagar, or Vivekanandanagar to Infosys.

It would be better to establish two such corridors — one around the outer Mysuru and one in the middle circle — to eliminate the need to change buses at the CBS. Additionally, radial corridors from one part of the Ring Road to the opposite side, without passing through the CBS, could significantly reduce bus-related traffic in CBD.

I hope the Traffic Police will discuss this with KSRTC Mysuru Urban Division ahead of Dasara to lessen the dependency on CBS for city buses.

—Vasanth

Mysuru 18.8.2024

Rangayana calling teachers

Mysuru, Aug. 24- Rangayana has invited applications from eligible candidates for appointment as theatre teachers and music teachers on temporary basis for one-year Diploma Course in Theatre. Selection will be through interview. Candidates must have experience in theatre and also possess a Degree or Diploma in Theatre from National School of Drama or any Theatre School of the State.

Interested may download applications from *www.rangayanamysore.karnataka.gov.in* and submit the filled-in forms to Rangayana Dy. Director, before Aug. 28. Contact Ph: 0821-2512639.

'Vishwa Vajrah' diamond jewellery expo at Sulthan Showroom in Mysuru

'Vishwa Vajrah' diamond jewellery exhibition was launched at Sulthan Diamonds & Gold Showroom in city on Aug.22. The guests seen during the launch are Heena Kouser (Majestic Food LLC, Dubai), Dr. Hema (Associate Professor of Cardiology, Jayadeva Institute), H.S. Rashmi Suresh (wife of Dr. Suresh and daughter of late MLA H.S. Shankaralingegowda), Hishma Jidda (daughter of Moula Jidda, Proprietor, Jidda Bazaar and Mysore Emporium), Reshmi Bopaiah (wife of Educationist J. Preetham), Roohi Sait (Managing Director & Founder, Holiday Explorers), Anusha Ali (International Makeup artist and Proprietor, Ali Brothers) and Abdul Riyaz, Sulthan Diamonds & Gold, Bengaluru - Mysuru Region Director.

Mysuru, Aug. 24- South India's premier diamond jewellery exhibition — 'Vishwa Vajrah' — was inaugurated at Sulthan Diamonds & Gold Showroom in Mysuru on Aug. 22.

The exhibition showcases more than 10,000 carat stock of Certified Diamond and Polki Diamond jewellery collections from Italy, France, Turkey, Belgium, USA, Singapore and Middle East. 'Vishwa Vajrah' has a wide range of Kyomi Luxury Diamond collections, Solitaire, Traditional Close Setting Diamond Jewellery, Tanmania collections, Bridal Diamond Jewellery, Uncut Diamonds and Ruby Emerald Gemstone collections.

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93rd ANNUAL GENERAL BODY MEETING

of the Bank is scheduled on **25-08-2024, Sunday 10.00 am** at **Sri Nanjaraja Bhahadur Choultry,** Shivarampete, near Metropole Circle, Mysuru.

Sri H. M. SANDEEP, President of the Bank, will preside the meeting. Invitation along with Report Book have already been sent by post.
If any of the members have not received the Report Book kindly update your KYC i.e., Address & Mobile Number in Bank & please treat this as invitation and attend the General Body Meeting.

BY ORDER OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS,
Y. P. Naresh, Chief Executive Officer.

NOTE:
1. All the members are requested to bring their membership passbook to participate in the meeting. Identity Card need not to be produced.
2. In view of General Body Meeting being held on 25-08-2024 i.e., on Sunday, holiday is declared on 26-08-2024 i.e., on Monday.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Eye check-up camp cancelled

The free eye check-up camp organised by Elder Citizens Council, Mysuru and ASG Eye Hospital, Mysuru, at the Council's Saraswathi Samudaya Bhavana in Jayalakshmipuram on Aug. 25, has been cancelled due to unavoidable circumstances, according to a press release from Council Secretary K.S. Krishna. For details, contact Mob: 99804-12406.

Ban orders around exam centres

With the Karnataka Public Service Commission (KPSC) scheduled to conduct the Gazetted Probationers exam (KAS exam) on Aug. 27, the City Police have clamped prohibitory orders in 200 mtrs. radius around all the 11 centres in the city on that day. The prohibitory orders will be in effect from 6 am to 6 pm and accordingly, all photocopy shops and browsing centres have been asked to shut down for the day. Also, barring the examinees and the exam officials, no other unauthorised person will be allowed entry to the exam centre, according to a press release issued by the Office of the City Police Commissioner.

Sri Krishna Jayanti

The District Administration and Kannada & Culture Department have jointly organised Sri Krishna Jayanti celebrations at Mini Theatre in Kalamandira premises on Hunsur Road in city on Aug. 26 at 10 am. District Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa will inaugurate the event. MLA K. Harishgowda will preside. MPs Yaduveer Wadiyar and Sunil Bose will be the chief guests. Senior littérateur Dr. N.K. Ramasheshan will deliver a lecture on the occasion, according to a press release.

Theatre artistes

Rangayana, the Mysuru-based theatre repertory, has invited applications for appointment of artistes on temporary basis. Candidates in the age group of 22 to 35 years having experience in theatre and with a degree from National School of Drama or degree/ diploma from any theatre repertory in the State can apply. Last date for submitting the applications to the Director, Rangayana, Vinoba Road, Mysuru, is Aug. 28. The applications can be downloaded from *www.rangayanamysore.karnataka.gov.in.*

During the interview, candidates must submit their original birth certificates, bio-data with details of experience in theatre (with supportive documents) and a copy of their Aadhaar Card, according to a press release from the Deputy Director of Rangayana, Mysuru.

MUDA 50:50 Sites Scam

Favouritism led to high-level misuse

- Alternative site denied to original land owner but granted to second purchaser
- 1.21-acre land in Devanur fetches sites worth Rs. 8 crore in J.P. Nagar, Bogadi

Mysuru, Aug. 24 (RK&BCT)- With the intention of developing new layouts in collaboration with farmers, the State Government issued a notification on Feb. 11, 2015, directing all Urban Development Authorities to allocate sites to land owners at a 50:50 ratio.

However, it is in the public knowledge now that officials from the Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA) exploited this rule to grant sites indiscriminately, embezzling crores of rupees and inflicting a loss of thousands of crores of rupees on the State Exchequer.

A fresh example of this blatant misuse has now come to light. Despite numerous applications from the original land owners requesting compensation under this 50:50 scheme for the land they lost for layout development, MUDA officials rejected them, citing technical reasons.

However, based on the recommendation of L. Nagendra, a MUDA member and MLA at that time, seven sites totalling 16,607 square feet in J.P. Nagar and Bogadi layouts were approved in the name of the second purchaser of the land. This illustrates how MUDA officials acted under the influence of powerful individuals.

Details of the case

In Mysuru Taluk, Kasaba Hobli, a 1.21-acre land under Survey Number 81/1 in Devanur village was previously used by the City Improvement Trust Board (CITB) to develop a residential layout without initiating the land acquisition process.

This particular 1.21-acre plot originally belonged to Nijaguna alias Nijagunamma and Harish as the land came into their share of their family property.

Since the land was used for layout development by CITB (which became MUDA in 1988), an application was submitted by Nijaguna and Harish to MUDA in 2020 requesting compensation in the form of sites under the Government's 50:50 scheme. However, the officials rejected the application citing some technical reasons and provided an explanation for rejection in the form of file notings.

What does the law say?

As per rules, for applications related to cases before 2015, where land has been used for layout development without acquisition and without compensating the land owners, **MUDA must seek approval from the Board to pay compensation to the land owner with interest based on the land's value at that time.**

If the land owners do not agree to the compensation, they may approach the Court and MUDA must act according to the Court's directives. The law also states that the MUDA Commissioner cannot unilaterally approve valuable sites in developed layouts under the 50:50 scheme for cases that have occurred before 2015. If at all approved, it is illegal, as per law.

However, in this case, sites were approved in the name of the second purchaser instead of the original land owners. Additionally, instead of granting land in a parallel or an equivalent layout (where the land was originally acquired), highly valuable sites were approved in prestigious layouts developed elsewhere. This clearly indicates a violation of the rules to benefit the allottee.

First sale of land in May 2020

Unable to secure sites under the 50:50 ratio, Nijaguna and Harish sold the said land to S. Thara through a clear sale on May 20, 2020.

The sale was registered at the Mysuru North Sub-Registrar's Office and subsequently, the property was recorded in the Mysuru Taluk Tahsildar's Office under Khata Number 144, as per the Record of Rights, Tenancy and Crops (RTC) — MR H2/2020-21.

Second sale in March 2021

Later, on March 1, 2021, S. Thara sold the land through a clear sale to V. Venkatesh of Bogadi and the Khata was also transferred to his name.

Subsequently, Venkatesh submitted an application to MUDA, requesting compensation for the land since a layout had already been developed on his property.

Issue in MUDA meeting

Based on the recommendation of a MUDA member L. Nagendra, who was an MLA at the time, a proposal was tabled during MUDA meetings held on Nov. 6, 2020 and Nov. 20, 2020.

Under Item Number 5 on the agenda, the meetings decided to allocate 50 percent of the land in developed layouts as compensation to Venkatesh, given that the land had been used for a layout without initiating the acquisition process.

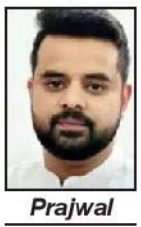
Grant of sites

In a related development to this, Venkatesh, the Khata holder, registered a relinquishment deed on June 17, 2021, transferring 1.21 acres of land under Survey No. 81/1 in Devanur to MUDA's name.

In return, as per the Government's 50:50 ratio order dated Feb. 11, 2015 and MUDA's decision (taken on Nov. 6, 2020 and Nov. 20, 2020), Venkatesh was granted 16,607 square feet of sites in the developed layouts of Bogadi and J.P. Nagar in a 50:50 ratio as compensation.

These sites are valued at Rs. 8 crore. The then Commissioner in 2021 Dr. D.B. Natesh issued an official memorandum, approving this on June 17, 2021. In a nutshell, **for the 1.21-acre land acquired in Devanur, MUDA sanctioned seven sites in Bogadi and J.P. Nagar worth over Rs. 8 crore.**

Sex Scandal: 2,000-page chargesheet against Prajwal Revanna



Prajwal

Bengaluru, Aug. 24 (VNS)- The Special Investigation Team (SIT), which is investigating into the alleged sex scandal involving former Hassan MP Prajwal Revanna, has filed a whopping 2,000-page chargesheet to Special Court for People's Representatives through Investigating Officer Suma Rani, here yesterday.

The sexual harassment case filed against Prajwal Revanna in Hassan was transferred to SIT and during the investigation the officials collected a total of 123 evidences prior to submitting the chargesheet.

SIT has also filed a chargesheet against JD(S) MLA H.D. Revanna in the sexual assault case reported in Holenarasipura.

Prajawal Revanna, who has been facing charges of sexual assault and kidnapping, is under judicial custody. Special Court Judge Santosh Gajanana Bhat has also rejected the bail application of Prajwal Revanna in the sexual assault case.

Meanwhile, the 42nd ACMM Court has issued summons to former Minister H.D. Revanna and his wife Bhavani Revanna in the alleged kidnap case reported from K.R. Nagar, Mysuru.

MUDA 50:50 Sites Scam

Congress High Command assures full support to CM Siddaramaiah

New Delhi, Aug. 24- The Congress High Command has decided to stand firm in supporting Chief Minister Siddaramaiah, who has been accused of being involved in the MUDA 50:50 sites scam.

Ahead of the Karnataka High Court hearing on Aug. 29, where CM Siddaramaiah has questioned the Governor's permission to prosecute him, both CM Siddaramaiah and Deputy Chief Minister D.K. Shivakumar met the party leaders including AICC President Mallikarjun Kharge, Leader of the Opposition in Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi, AICC General Secretary K.C. Venugopal and Congress Karnataka In-charge Randeep Singh Surjewala at the party office in New Delhi yesterday and held discussions along with the relevant documents pertaining to MUDA scam.

The Congress party is said to have not only vowed to back the Chief Minister in fighting his case in Courts but has also promised to explore all options including a meeting with the President of India along with the leaders of I.N.D.I Alliance to file a complaint against Karnataka Governor Thaawarchand Gehlot.

Speaking to the media persons after the meeting, Dy.CM Shivakumar said there was a conspiracy to destabilise the Government using the Governor's Office and added that it was not only a conspiracy against the Chief Minister but also against the five guarantee schemes announced by the State Government.

"We have apprised the High Command in detail about the developments for which the party has instructed us to continue working for the welfare of the poor and backward communities. The Congress party leaders of the State and country are with CM Siddaramaiah," he added.

Congress Party Karnataka In-charge Randeep Singh Surjewala, who also spoke to the mediapersons, said that the Karnataka Governor had gone against the Constitution to permit for the prosecution of the Chief Minister and added that party will fight the case in the Court of Law as well as in the people's court.

Chief Minister Siddaramaiah, who thanked the party High Command for extending support, reiterated that he would continue to fight against the Governor's decision in Court.

CM Siddaramaiah was accompanied by Ministers Dr. G. Parameshwar, Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa, K.J. George, Priyank Kharge, Zameer Ahmed Khan and MLA and Legal Advisor to CMA.S. Ponnanna. Earlier, at the Congress Legislative Party (CLP) meeting held in Bengaluru, the party MLAs extended their support in unanimous to CM Siddaramaiah to the proposal tabled by senior MLA R.V. Deshpande and seconded by MLA Tanveer Sait.

Cabinet reshuffle after Channapatna by-poll?

During the meeting with the Congress Party High Command, Chief Minister Siddaramaiah and KPCC President and Deputy CM D.K. Shivakumar are said to have discussed about Cabinet reshuffle and change of guard in KPCC. CM Siddaramaiah submitted a proposal to drop five to six Ministers from the Cabinet to make way for new faces for which the Party High Command is said have advised Siddaramaiah to wait till the completion of Channapatna by-election.

Meanwhile, D.K. Shivakumar is said to have told the party High Command to continue him as the KPCC President till the completion of BBMP and local body polls.

After attending a series of meetings, Chief Minister Siddaramaiah returned to Bengaluru late in the night. He is expected to take part in a series of programmes today as per the earlier fixed schedule.

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It will be a loss to Mysuru if CM Siddaramaiah resigns: Hoteliers

Mysuru, Aug. 24 (GA&BCT)- Amidst calls for his resignation over the Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA) site scam, the Mysuru Hotel Owners' Association has expressed strong support for Chief Minister Siddaramaiah, arguing that his resignation would hinder Mysuru's development.

Addressing a press conference at Pathrakarthara Bhavan on Friday, Association President C. Narayanagowda criticised the calls for the CM's resignation. "Siddaramaiah, being from Mysuru, brings significant benefits to the city. After D. Devaraj Urs, Mysuru waited 33 years for a CM from here," he said.

Narayanagowda highlighted Siddaramaiah's contributions to healthcare and infrastructure, noting that during his first term as CM, he established and upgraded numerous Government Hospitals serving surrounding districts.

"He has also allocated over Rs. 3,000 crore for infrastructure development," he added.

He emphasised that if Siddaramaiah continues for another term, Mysuru stands to gain significantly. The CM has promised further developments, including infrastructure and tourism projects like Disneyland at Krishna Raja Sagar (KRS) Dam and Film City.

"The CM has allocated Rs. 40 crore for this Dasara, which will attract thousands of tourists, boosting Mysuru's business and commerce. Siddaramaiah should remain in office to continue enhancing Mysuru's business, tourism and infrastructure," he noted.

Hon. Treasurer K. Bhaskar Shetty, Hon. Secretary A.R. Ravindra Bhat, State Hotel Owners Association Vice-President Ravi Shastri and Secretary of Hotel Owners' Charitable Trust Subramanya were present.

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Will They Be Prosecuted?

As the stench of corruption emanates from the Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA), two Karnataka Administrative Service (KAS) officers are alleged to be the key facilitators of this rot — Mr. Horrible and Mr. Terrible.

Dr. D.B. Natesh, a former MUDA Commissioner, is known for his dreadfully terrible decisions, while his successor, **G.T. Dinesh Kumar,** followed with equally horrible choices.

Their arbitrary and reckless actions have not only resulted in humongous revenue losses for the State but have also left countless residents of Mysuru without homes.

Over the years, the prestige and respect once commanded by the Civil Services — be it IAS, KAS or IPS — have significantly declined. Even in 1935, Jawaharlal Nehru noted that there was, *"progressive deterioration, moral and intellectual, of the higher services, especially the Indian Civil Service."*

However, his contemporary, Home Minister Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel disagreed and noted that 'these people' were the instruments of national unity without whose expertise in administration there would be chaos in the new nation.

Unfortunately, today's bureaucrats often perpetuate the chaos they were meant to prevent. They have become instruments of political influence, mastering corruption instead of public service.

As former NDA Minister Suresh Prabhu pointed out, ***"Bureaucrats were to be the 'checks' in the system... But the 'checks' have turned into 'cheques' while the balance is out of the window."***

Bureaucrats typically indulge in corruption or engage in illegal activities when they have the backing of their political superiors.

Dr. Natesh's controversial actions occurred during the BJP's tenure, allegedly under the protection of a senior party leader.

Similarly, Dinesh Kumar's misdeeds took place under the Congress rule, reportedly safeguarded by a current Government Minister.

This political shielding explains why they had the audacity to ignore the letter from the Mysuru Deputy Commissioner ordering them to stop what they were doing.

This political protection is why, despite the revelations of their misconduct, both officers remain unsuspended and have not been asked to go on leave.

The need for bureaucratic reform is glaring. The Civil Services, once heralded as the 'steel frame' of India, are now rusting.

To restore integrity and accountability, there must be a genuine fear of prosecution among public servants. Yet, the process for punishing a civil servant is so convoluted that it emboldens corrupt officials.

In the present case of the former MUDA Commissioners, who are KAS officers, the procedure to take action begins with submitting a letter detailing their misconduct, supported by documents, to the Secretary of the Urban Development Department.

This complaint then goes to the Chief Secretary of Karnataka, the KAS officers' 'Cadre Controlling Authority,' with copies of the same sent to the Governor and the Lokayukta.

If the Secretary of the Urban Development Department finds 'cause for action,' the Chief Secretary may issue a 'show-cause notice' to the accused KAS officer, who then must provide an explanation.

If the explanation is deemed unsatisfactory, a departmental inquiry — either internal or external — will follow.

If the inquiry reveals civil offences, the officer faces punishment according to 'conduct rules'. However, if the offence is criminal, the matter moves to the Courts, which could lead to termination and imprisonment.

For quicker action, the Lokayukta could conduct an inquiry and submit a report. However, this requires Government approval, which seems unlikely in the MUDA case.

Alternatively, the Governor could instruct the Chief Secretary to investigate and report back in a timely manner, potentially leading to prosecution.

Ultimately, the accountability of these KAS officers hinges on the integrity of the overseeing IAS officer or the external judge. Will they hold these bureaucrats accountable? One can only hope.

Meanwhile, the silence from the BJP is deafening. Why hasn't the Karnataka BJP filed a Public Interest Litigation (PIL) or called for a CBI inquiry?

As the principal Opposition party in the State and the ruling party at the Centre, their inaction is puzzling!

Former PM Dr. Manmohan Singh was once derisively called *'Mouna Mohan Singh'* (Silent Mohan Singh) for his silence on corruption matters, now it appears PM Modi has become *'Mouna Damodardas Modi'*. It is a troubling scenario.

If Prime Minister Modi wants to see *'Vikas'* (development) in India, he must first address the *'Vishwas'* (trust) deficit in the Indian bureaucracy.

Until then we will continue to have civil servants who are Terrible and Horrible, wreaking havoc and chaos in our cities and our lives.

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Heavyweight Abhimanyu

Howdah jumbo tops with 5,560 kg; the weight of first batch of nine Dasara elephants checked at weigh bridge on Dhanvanthri Road in city

Mysuru, Aug. 24 (MTY&BS)- The first batch of nine Dasara elephants were taken for a weight check today and Abhimanyu, the prime attraction of *Jumboo Savari,* for carrying the 750-kg Golden Howdah, leads from the front weighing 5,560 kg.

Like every year, the elephants were taken for checking their weight at Sairam & Co, Government Approved Weigh Bridge on Dhanvanthri Road today, where all the elephants took part in the process, with their Mahouts and Kavadis accompanying them.

They were later taken to Palace, where they will be camping till their farewell on Oct. 15, after the culmination of Navarathri with *Jumboo Savari* on Oct. 12.

After Abhimanyu, elephant Dhananjaya is second in weight with 5,155 kg, followed by Bheema - 4,945 kg, Gopi - 4,970 kg, Ekalavya - 4,730 kg, Kanjan - 4,515 kg, Rohith - 3,625 kg, Varalakshmi - 3,495 kg and Lakshmi - 2,480 kg.

Rehearsal tomorrow

Tomorrow (Aug. 25), the rehearsal will be conducted within Palace precincts, while they will be taken out on routine walk from Monday (Aug. 26) on *Jumboo Savari* route — Palace to Torchlight Parade Ground in Bannimantap and back to Palace. The focus will be on new elephants — Ekalavya, Kanjan and especially Rohit, who had run amok during canon firing practice associated with Dasara festival last year.

DCF (Wildlife) Mysuru Division Dr. I.B. Prabhugowda said: "As per the tradition, the elephants were subjected to weight check, following which the level of special diet to be fed for elephants will be decided to keep them in good health. The special diet will also enhance their strength to make them ready for the D-day with regular practice."

Ganesh Prasad, owner of Sairam and Co., said, for the past several years, elephants are brought for weight check. It is our good fortune and the opportunity blessed by the Goddess Chamundeshwari, that we have been entrusted with the related task. We prepare for the exercise every year upon receiving the information from Forest Department.

Veterinarian Dr. Mujeeb-Ur-Rehman said that all the elephants are healthy and will be taken for training to make them fit for *Jumboo Savari.* RFO Santosh Hoogar, Assistant Rangaraju and others were present.

Ex-Advocate General Prof. Ravivarma Kumar moots nationwide caste census

Prof. Ravivarma Kumar

Mysuru, Aug. 24 (BLU&VNS)- The Central Government must conduct a nationwide caste census to collect accurate data, based on which the classification of the castes must be done, said former Advocate General Prof. K. Ravivarma Kumar, here this morning.

Speaking after inaugurating a workshop on the topic 'Reservation and Classification' organised at Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Research and Extension Centre, University of Mysore, Manasagangothri, he said that the Karnataka has listed a total of 101 castes. With the power of classification vested with the State not a single caste should be ignored during the classification process.

Citing the example of Census of India 1931 during which it was found that the Brahmin community, which constituted of mere 3 percent of the total population, was enjoying about 95 percent of Government facilities, Prof. Ravivarma Kumar said, the very purpose of reservation was to prioritise those who had been denied the Government facilities. It was important that the Government must decide on the classification and reservation of castes on the basis of accurate data.

Former Director (Vice-Chancellor), National Law School of India, Bengaluru, Prof. G. Mohan Gopal presided.

Prof. L. Jawahar Nesan, Member-cum-Convener High-level Committee to formulate a distinct State Education Policy for Tamil Nadu, Dr. Y Chinnarao, Professor, JNU, New Delhi and Dr. K.L. Chandrashekar, Professor, Vidyavardhaka Law College, Mysuru were present.

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'Ask Justice Santosh Hegde to investigate MUDA scam'

Former CITB Chairman D. Madegowda writes to CM Siddaramaiah

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"Opposition parties organised a *Padayatra* from Bengaluru to Mysuru, and in response, you held a rally in Mysuru where you exchanged accusations with the Opposition. However, this blame game did nothing to resolve the MUDA issue. Instead, the real beneficiaries were those who arranged the events, the shamiana contractor and the owners of the rented vehicles that brought people to the rallies," the former CITB Chairman Madegowda said in the letter.

Stem the rot in MUDA

"No matter what your opponents may call you, having observed you for 50 years, I still see you as a 'socialist.' I believe you continue to embody the values of a just society that champions the poor. As CM, use the influence your position affords you to cleanse the MUDA and undertake the noble task of preserving and developing it," he stated.

"Eliminate the rot that has plagued MUDA and implement a set of rules to make it more people-friendly. These rules should not be confined to Mysuru alone but should extend to all city and town development authorities and boards across the State. You have the ability to introduce strict laws against illegal land grabbers and the power to thwart those who seek to benefit unlawfully," Madegowda noted.

Revolutionary 'Asha Mandira' Project

"When I served as the CITB Chairman (1986-1988), over 38,000 sites and houses were allotted to the people under the 'Asha Mandira' Project. In 1987-88, I distributed more than 20,000 sites to the poor for just Rs. 1,600 each. The success of the 'Asha Mandira' project inspired the then Urban Development Minister M. Chandrashekhar to propose allotting sites to the poor across all urban development bodies in Karnataka, modelled after 'Asha Mandira.' You may recall that a conference was held in Shivamogga to discuss this initiative," he recalled.

"The rules were carefully crafted to ensure that farmers were treated fairly and it was ensured that both farmers and people who bought sites benefitted, and that there was no loss to the farmers who gave up their land or to those who purchased the sites. Unfortunately, with the fall of the Janata Party Government, the revolutionary 'Asha Mandira' scheme could not be extended State-wide," he said.

'Mane Bhagya' to people of Mysuru

"In your 42-year-long political career, you have held numerous positions — Minister multiple times, Deputy Chief Minister twice, and Chief Minister twice. You've enjoyed immense fortune and have introduced various 'Bhagyas' to benefit the people. Now, it's time to give 'Mane Bhagya' to the people of Mysuru. While other 'Bhagyas' may be forgotten, 'Mane Bhagya' will be remembered for generations. On behalf of the people of Mysuru, I urge you to create a **'Nirmala MUDA Bhagya'** to clean up and develop Mysuru city," he appealed CM Siddaramaiah in his letter dated 23.8.2024.

"Create an environment that provides shelter to the poor who have lived in rented houses for decades without owning a home. Strict laws should be enacted to ensure that only deserving beneficiaries receive MUDA sites," the former CITB Chairman hoped.

Blemish on home-maker

Madegowda further wrote, "I am deeply saddened that your wife, Parvathi's name has figured in the MUDA scam. It pains me to see the reputation of a woman I have always known as a 'sadhvimani' tarnished. I remember your wedding in 1975 at the Yadava Sangha's Kalyana Mantapa at Marimallappa School in Mysuru, which I attended and blessed you both."

"Such a 'satvik' woman has never appeared with you in any public function as the Chief Minister's wife, and it deeply pains me to learn that she has been accused of acquiring illegal sites during your tenure as CM. It seems you are unaware of the extent of the corruption and maladministration of MUDA. If you had some concern for your wife, you would have returned those 14 MUDA sites and cleared her name," he wrote.

"Had you done so, the Governor might not have sanctioned your prosecution in the MUDA case, and you wouldn't have had to go to the Court. Instead, by defending the MUDA scam, you've not only entangled yourself in a legal trap but also dragged your innocent wife, Parvathi, who knows nothing of this, into it. Does this sit well with your conscience?" he asked.

"Even if your wife had been given those 14 sites in 2021 during the BJP's tenure, as a senior politician and an administrator of a State, didn't you recognise that it was illegal? If you had publicly condemned the MUDA officials for such malpractices, you would have emerged as a great leader. Only then could MUDA have been rid of all illegalities and cleaned up with proper legal measures," Madegowda added.

'1983 Chamundeshwari election was *Sampathige Saval* for us'

Mysuru, Aug. 24 (BCT)- In his letter, former MLC D. Madegowda says, Chief Minister Siddaramaiah is a lucky politician. Here is the excerpts of the letter:

"In the history of Karnataka politics, there has been no other politician as fortunate as you. Back in 1982, when you were a Taluk Panchayat member, you might not have even dreamed of becoming an MLA in 1983. That was the state of your financial situation at the time. Perhaps if the then Chamundeshwari MLA Jayadevaraj Urs had not displayed arrogance at the wedding of MLC Chinnaswamy's daughter in December 1982, influential political leaders like former MLA Kempeeregowda and senior lawyer Mavinahalli Siddegowda might not have rallied to support you as an independent candidate. If that had been the case, Siddaramaiah's name might not have been recorded in the history of Karnataka politics."

"At that time, H.D. Deve Gowda, the State President of the Janata Party, with an intention of not allowing any other Vokkaliga leaders to grow to his stature, did not grant tickets to strong Janata Party candidates in the Chamundeshwari Constituency and denied tickets to MLA Kempeeregowda and senior lawyer Mavinahalli Siddegowda. Instead, he chose to give the Janata Party ticket to a weaker candidate, Thammaiah of Chikkegowdanahundi," Madegowda recalled.

Display of arrogance

"This decision led Congress candidate Jayadevaraj Urs to display arrogance even before the election, believing that he had already won. At the wedding of MLC Chinnaswamy's daughter, which was held at Sharada Niketan on JLB Road, Mysuru, Jayadevaraj Urs deliberately ignored Kempeeregowda and Mavinahalli Siddegowda, refusing to even acknowledge them for courtesy's sake," he recalled.

"At that time, the Vokkaliga leaders at the wedding swore to defeat Jayadevaraj Urs, who was flaunting his wealth and arrogance as he was known as a wealthy man from Hinkal. Kempeeregowda, Mavinahalli Siddegowda, the current Chamundeshwari MLA G.T. Devegowda, Chikkannahalli Shivaram and I, through Koorgalli Kenchegowda, mobilised support for you as an independent candidate in the 1983 Assembly elections. This was our '*Sampathige Saval*' (an answer to wealth and arrogance)," Madegowda wrote.

"During this period, Kempeeregowda initially warned, 'Don't trust Siddaramaiah. He is a big opportunist.' Despite this warning, all of us provided you our full support — financial, physical, and moral. In the shifting political landscape, we all unitedly supported you as an independent candidate, even ensuring the official Janata Party candidate Thammaiah of Chikkegowdanahundi retired from electoral politics, leading to your victory," he said in his letter.

Army man dies of heart attack

Jnana Prakash

Hanur, Aug. 24- An armyman of Sulwadi village in Hanur taluk, who was serving at Punjab border, died of heart attack while on duty on Friday.

The deceased has been identified as Jnana Prakash (33), son of Antony Swamy and Antoniammal couple. Jnana Prakash who had joined the Army 13 years ago, had been deputed to serve at Punjab border recently. He passed away due to heart attack on Friday, it is learnt. He leaves behind his parents, wife, a daughter and a host of relatives and friends.

Obituary

Sushilamma

Mysuru, Aug. 24 Sushilamma (92), a resident of Madhuvana in Srirampura passed away following a brief illness recently. She leaves behind her son retired Bank Employee Vijayakumar, two daughters and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were held at the foot of Chamundi Hill.

Srinivas

Srinvas, a Congress leader of Mysuru, passed away here on Friday. He leaves behind his wife, two children and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were performed at K.R. Mill burial ground this afternoon.

Boodabalu Venkataswamy

Kollegal: V. Venkataswamy (61) of Boodabalu village in Kollegal taluk, passed away at a private hospital in Mysuru on Tuesday. He was a member of BJP National Council.

He had served as the Chairman of D. Devaraj Urs Backward Classes Development Corporation and as BJP Hanur Mandal President. He leaves behind his wife, a son, a daughter and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were performed at his native village Boodabalu on Wednesday.

Dolls exhibition begins at Ramsons Bombe Mane

MLA T.S. Srivatsa (second from right) taking a look at the display of dolls at Ramsons Bombe Mane in city yesterday. Also seen are (from left) Doll Designer & Curator Raghu Dharmendra, Ramsons Kala Pratishtana Secretary R.G. Singh, artistes H.R. Leelavathi and Dr. Vasundhara Doraswamy and others.

Mysuru, Aug. 24 (VNS)- The 20th edition of the Bombe Mane, the Dasara Dolls exhibition, began at the Ramsons Bombe Mane located in Nazarbad here yesterday.

The expo was inaugurated by KR MLA T.S. Srivatsa in the presence of veteran singer Vidushi H.R. Leelavathi, danseuse Dr. Vasundhara Doraswamy, Ramsons Kalapratishtana Secretary R.G. Singh, Doll Designer & Curator Raghu Dharmendra.

This year's first special display is 'Vrunda Vihara' eulogising Tulasi, the ubiquitous shrub grown in a sacred pot and venerated in most Hindu households across India. The second attraction is 'Santa Samrajya' in which the portraits of popular sages have been grouped together to add spiritual touch to the collection. The 'Chitra Mruga' section showcases fantastical creatures like Yali, Gandabherunda, Gaja Pakshi and Sarpa Pakshi.

Clay statues of Goddesses Chamundeshwari and Maramma, to mark the centenary of Mysuru Karaga, have also been kept for display. Clay and Paper mache models of Rama Lalla of Ayodhya have been kept for the first time for the display at the exhibition. **The exhibition will be open for public from 10 am to 7 pm throughout the year.**

Dr. Sri Shivarathri Rajendra Swamiji's 109th Jayanti celebrations on Aug. 25

Dr. Rajendra Swamiji

Mysuru, Aug. 24 (MTY&VNS)- The 109th Jayanti celebrations of the 23rd Pontiff of Sri Veera Simhasana Mahasamstana Mutt, Dr. Sri Shivarathri Rajendra Swamiji, will be held at Suttur Mutt, Mysuru Branch premises, located at the foot of Chamundi Hill in city on Aug. 25, said JSS Mahavidyapeetha Secretary S.P. Manjunath, here on Thursday.

Addressing the press persons at Sri Rajendra Bhavan, he said that various programmes including aarathi and pushpanjali to the bust of Sri Rajendra Swamiji at 10 am followed by a stage programme at 10.30 am have been organised as a part of the celebrations.

The function will be graced by Suttur Mutt Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji, Siddaganga Mutt Seer Sri Siddalinga Swamiji and Muddenahalli Satya Sai Ashram's Sadguru Madhusudhana Sai. Goa Governor P.S. Sreedharan Pillai will inaugurate event. Meghalaya Governor C.H. Vijayshankar will preside.

"JSS Mahavidyapeetha, like every year, will donate Rs. One lakh to Mysuru Zoo. This apart, awareness programmes on blood, eye and organ donations will be organised. Fifty percent discount on books published by JSS Publications, distribution of fruits for inpatients, seminars in schools and colleges, distribution of note books, school bags among others have been organised," he said.

JSS Mahavidyapeetha will also felicitate 63 retired employees, distribute Pratibha Puraskar for meritorious students of SSLC and PUC, prizes to the best annual magazines brought by JSS institutions and winners of monthly essay writing competition.

The Alumni Association of JSS Hostels will also distribute scholarships to talented students residing in the various JSS hostels.

At 4 pm, Muddenahalli Satya Sai Ashram's Sadguru Madhusudhana Sai will deliver a lecture on 'Atmanokoshartham Jagath Hithaya Cha' at Rajendra Centenary Auditorium in JSS Hospital premises.

Univeristy of Mysore former Vice-Chancellor Prof. J. Shashidhara Prasad will release the book 'Is Charity Essential,' the English translation of Dr. Sudha Murty-authored Kannada book 'Dhanasheelathe Agathyave', 'Leadership of G20: Opportunities for Bharat' authored by Tamil Nadu Governor Thiru R.N. Ravi and Association of International Certified Professional Accountants Chair Anoop N. Mehta's 'Tomorrow's India Begins Today: Leveraging Accountability For ESG.'

Regional Commissioner D.S. Ramesh will preside.

Echo of Kolkata doctor's rape, murder case

Ex-soldiers, various organisations stage protest against sexual assault cases

Mysuru, Aug. 24 (SPN&BS)- Mysore Armed Forces Ex-servicemen Association staged a protest at underconstruction War Memorial ground near old Deputy Commissioner's office in the city yesterday, condemning the incidents of sexual assaults across the country, including the recent incident of rape and murder of a Post Graduate trainee doctor at R.G. Kar Medical College and Hospital in Kolkata.

P.K. Biddappa, President of Mysore Armed Forces Ex-Servicemen Association, led the protest where the agitators held various placards demanding stringent punishment to the perpetrators of sexual assault cases.

In his address, Biddappa said, the Police should provide security to women doctors at work places in any part of the State. The Centre and respective State Governments should take steps in this regard.

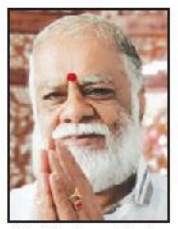
Condemning the incidents of sexual assault reported in Kolkata, Jharkand, Bengaluru and Maharashtra, Biddappa insisted that the Police should treat such cases seriously. The protesters also lit candles to pay homage to sexual assault victims.

The protest had been organised in association with All Karnataka Ex-Serviceman Association Unit-1, Mysuru Gowda Ex-Serviceman Association, Mysuru Airforce Association, Mysuru Naval Association, Rotary Club Mysuru, Mysuru Beauticians Welfare Association, Mysuru Janapara Vedike, inmates of Maharani's Women's Hostel and several other organisations of the city.

Mysore Armed Forces Ex-servicemen Association Vice-President Narasegowda, Secretary S.R. Ravikumar, Joint Secretary K.S. Suresh and Treasurer B.M. Gopal, Military Veterans Welfare Association's Brigadier Adappa, Sqaudron Leader (Retd.) K.M. Shenoy, Subedar Major K.U. Bheemaiah, Hawaldar Basappa, Rotarian Nagesh of Rotary Mysore North, Community Wing (Yelwal), Office-bearers Govindaswamy, Santosh Kumar, Shivakumar, Chandrakumar and Bharath Gowda, Veda Rai of Mysuru Beauticians Welfare Association, Mysore Ambassadors Lions Club-517G President Lion Sridhar, Regional President Lion K.S. Bhaskarananda, Lion K.M. Yashodamma and Beerihundi Srinivas of Mysuru Janapara Vedike were present.

Maharaj Sadbhavana Award presentation on Aug. 26

Dr. Sharath



Dr. Nataraj Jois

Mysuru, Aug. 24- Dr. C. Sharath Kumar, a noted expert in artificial insemination and fertility surgeon and proprietor of Mediwave IVF and Fertility Research Hospital in the city and Dr. B.R. Nataraj Jois, President of Sandhya Suraksha Trust, will be conferred with the prestigious 'Sri Vasudev Maharaj Sadbhavana Award' for their lifetime achievement, at a programme organised by the city's Sri Vasudev Maharaj Foundation, as part of the 18th Aradhana Mahotsava, at Rotary Hall on JLB Road here at 5 pm on Aug. 26.

Chandravana Ashram Seer Dr. Sri Trinetra Mahanta Shivayogi Swamiji will inaugurate the programme. Mysuru District Kannada Sahitya Parishat President Maddikere Gopal will preside. MLC Dr. D. Thimmaiah, Senior Social Activist Dr. K. Raghuram, Sri Lakhsmi Narasimhaswamy Temple CEO K.R. Yoganarasimhachar, Vasudev Maharaj Foundation President Dr. Gururaj Poshettihalli and Executive Committee Member M. Mohan will be present.

The event will be followed by a Flute Concert by Vid. Vinayak Honnavar, according to a press release issued by Sri Vasudev Maharaj Foundation Founder-President M.V. Nagendra Babu and CEO N. Ananth.

Akashvani's 'Churumuri Sambhrama'

Mysuru, Aug. 24- Churumuri Sambhrama, the 10th anniversary celebration of 'Churumuri', a light comedy programme being broadcast by Akashvani Mysuru, in association with Samudyata Shotru Balaga and Rangayana Mysuru, has been organised tomorrow (Aug. 25) at 2.30 pm at B.V. Karantha Ranga Chavadi, Rangayana premises in the city, according to S.S. Umesh, Deputy Director (Programme), Akashvani, Yadavagiri, Mysuru.

EVENTS TODAY (AUG. 24)

- **Simon Exhibitors:** 'Karnataka Sambhrama-50' Mega Consumer Expo, Dasara Exhibition Grounds, **4 pm to 9.30 pm.**
- **Kalasuruchi:** Kathe Kelona Banni-842, story-telling by V. Vasudeva, retd. Chief Signalling Engineer, Western Railways, Mysuru, Suruchi Rangamane, #476, Chitrabhanu Road, Kuvempunagar, **4.30 pm to 5.30 pm.**
- **Sharana Sahitya Parishatand Kadali Mahila Vedike, Mysuru:** 'Vachana-Shravana: Mane Manege Shravana Masada Sharana Sandesha,' lecture by Dr. H.B. Bettaswamy (Asst. Professor, BGS B.Ed College), residence of Sudarshini Chandrappa, No. 15A/A, Rangarao Colony, Vasu Layout, K-Block, Ramakrishnanagar, **5.30 pm.**
- **Pragna Shaikshanika mattu Samskritika Trust:** 'Pragna Rangotsava-2024,' folk dance by Gauthama Shaikshanika mattu Samskritika Seva Trust, **5 pm;** Inauguration - writer Kotaganahalli Ramaiah inaugurates 'Pragna Rangotsava,' senior theatre person C. Basavalingaiah presides, Pragna Trust President Sosale Siddaraju delivers keynote address, Kannada & Culture Asst. Director Dr. M.D. Sudarshan, Mysore Palace Board Dy. Director T.S. Subramanya, columnist Bannur Raju and retd. Principal of Maharaja's College Prof. C. Ramaswamy chief guests, **6 pm;** Staging of play 'Sharifa' by Nalwadi Samajika, Samskritika haagu Shaikshanika Trust, Kalamandira, **7 pm.**
- **Mysore Chamber of Commerce and Industry (MCCI) and Other Associations:** Felicitation to Meghalaya Governor C.H. Vijayashankar, Udupi-Chikmagalur MP Kota Srinivas Poojary and former Tourism Minister S.R. Mahesh, chief guests, Federation of Karnataka Chambers of Commerce & Industry (FKCCI) former President Sudhakar S. Shetty delivers felicitation address, MCCI President K.B. Lingaraju presides, Chetana auditorium, Jnanasarovara International Residential School, Bannur Road, **5 pm.**
- **Sri Ramabhyudaya Sabha Charitable Trust, Mysuru:** Monthly music programme, Karnatak Style Saxophone by Vid. Guruprasad and team, Sri Rama Mandira, Srirampet, Opp. Nallappa Thana Police Station, **6.30 pm.**
- **Suttur Mutt, Mysuru:** Shravana Masa Pujanushtana and Discourse Series, special puja, morning; Mass prayer, **6 pm;** Dr. B.V. Vasanthkumar delivers discourse on 'Shivatatva Chintamani,' written by Lakkanna Dandesha; Vaachana by Vidushi Vasantha Venkatesh (Mysuru), Suttur Mutt, foot of Chamundi Hill, **6.30 pm to 7.30 pm.**
- **Sri Avadhoota Datta Peetham and Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashram:** 21st Chaturmasya Vrata Deeksha by junior pontiff Sri Datta Vijayananda Teertha Swamiji, Chaturmasya Discourse on Sri Brahmanda Purana, Universal Prayer Hall, Ashram premises, **6.30 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (AUG. 25)

- **Mysuru District Journalists Association (MDJA):** Sports Meet for Journalists, Badminton Tournament, Maharaja's College Indoor Stadium, **6.30 am;** Prize Distribution by MLA G.D. Harish Gowda, MDJA President K. Deepak presides, City Police Commissioner felicitates achievers (Mountaineer Dr. Usha Hegde and Sports Journalist Girish Doddamani), Oval Grounds, near Crawford Hall, **3.30 pm.**
- **Palace Sports Club:** 11th edition of Chamundi Run, flag off from Ramakrishna Paramahamsa Circle in Ramakrishnanagar, **7 am.**
- **Gayathri Vipra Sangha:** Homas and Puja, **7 am;** Felicitation and Pratibha Puraskar presentation, Ananteshwara Bhavan, KHB, Hootagalli, **11.30 am.**
- **Sri Avadhoota Datta Peetham and Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashram:** 21st Chaturmasya Vrata Deeksha by junior pontiff Sri Datta Vijayananda Teertha Swamiji, Srichakra Puja, Maha Ganapathy Homa, Kumkumarchana, **9 am;** Chaturmasya Discourse on Sri Brahmanda Purana, Universal Prayer Hall, Ashram premises, **6.30 pm.**
- **Mysore District Vishwakarma Employees and Retd. Employees Welfare Association, Mysuru:** Inauguration of the Association by noted sculptor Dr. Arun Yogiraj, Mini Theatre, Kalamandira premises, **9.30 am to 12.30 pm.**
- **Brahmana Kankana Mahiti Sabha:** Matrimonial Meet, Sriramana Jnana Kendra, Kuvempunagar, **9.30 am.**
- **Billava Sangha, Mysuru:** Brahmasri Narayana Guru Jayanti celebrations, Sri Kalasha and Guru Puja, **10 am;** Bhajans, Mahamangalarati and Prasada Viniyoga, **12.30 pm;** 2023-24 Annual General Body Meeting, Billava Sangha, Sri Varasiddhi Vinayaka Temple, Roopanagar, **2 pm.**
- **Ramsons Kala Pratishtana (RKP), Mysuru:** 20th Edition of Bombe Mane — Display of exquisite dolls from across India, Ramsons Bombe Mane, No. 91, 1st Floor, above Aamrapali Saree Store, Nazarbad Main Road, **10 am to 7 pm.**
- **Dinesh Coaching Centre:** District-level Inter-High School Kannada Debate Competition (Topic: Samajika Jaalataanagalu Vaastavadalli Janarannu Samajadinda Doora Maduttive), senior photo journalist Pragathi Gopalakrishna inaugurates, Ideal Jawa Rotary Centre, JLB Road, **10 am.**
- **Music Concert:** Violin Duet by Vid. M.S. Rajeevalochana and Vid. Ashrith Krishna Rao, accompanied by Vid. Praveen Hariharan on mridanga, Mysore Vasudevacharya's residence, near Agrahara, **10.30 am.**
- **JSS Mahavidyapeetha:** Jagadguru Dr. Sri Shivarathri Rajendra Mahaswamiji's 109th Jayanti Mahotsava, **10.30 am;** Felicitation to retd. employees of JSS Institutions, Pratibha Puraskar, Scholarship and Prize Distribution, Suttur Mutt, foot of Chamundi Hill, **3 pm.**
- **Navaratna Digambara Jain Credit Co-operative Society Ltd.:** 36th Annual General Body Meeting, Society President B.S. Prakash presides, Sri M.L. Vardhamanaiah Memorial Hall, Chandragupta Road, **10.30 am.**
- **Akashavani Mysuru, Samudyata Shrotru Balaga, Mysuru and Rangayana:** Churumuri Sambhrama, Rangayana Director Satish Tiptur inaugurates, Samudyata Shrotru Balaga President Kannur V. Govindachary presides, B.V. Karanth Ranga Chavadi, Rangayana premises, **2.30 pm.**
- **Mysore Adolescent Health Academy (MAHA):** Inauguration of one-day Convention on 'Adolescent Health - 2024,' Hotel Grand Maurya, **11.20 am.**
- **Simon Exhibitors:** 'Karnataka Sambhrama-50' Mega Consumer Expo, Dasara Exhibition Grounds, **4 pm to 9.30 pm.**
- **Sri Balamurali Musical Group, Mysuru:** Musical Evening - Karaoke Musical Programme, Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha, JLB Road, **4 pm.**
- **Vedasri Foundation, Vijayanagar:** Sri Krishna Janmashtami celebrations, Dance-Drama on Lord Krishna by Vidu. Premita Govind, Director, Kalandika Academy of Arts, Mysuru, Presentation on 'My Life and Krishna' by Rajesh Sharma, CEO, Kaynes Technology; MP Yaduveer Wadiyar, MUDA Chairman K. Marigowda, former MLC G. Madhusudan and Infosys Head Vinayak Hegde chief guests, Divya Roopa Kalyana Mantapa, Vijayanagar, **5 pm to 9 pm.**
- **Sharana Sahitya Parishatand Kadali Mahila Vedike, Mysuru:** 'Vachana-Shravana: Mane Manege Shravana Masada Sharana Sandesha,' lecture by Shobha L. Anand (Lecturer, Sadvidya Semi-Residential PU College), residence of Rekha Mahadevaswamy, No. 589, 4th Cross, 3rd Main, I-Block, Ramakrishnanagar, **5.30 pm.**
- **Kadamba Kalapeetha, Mysuru:** D. Basappaji Kadamba's 95th Memorial Programme and felicitation to D. Ashwath Kadamba on the occasion of his 75th birthday, Journalist Amshi Prasannakumar inaugurates, Mysuru District Kannada Sahitya Parishat President Maddikere Gopal presides, Natana Rangashale Founder and Actor Mandya Ramesh and writer & theatre artiste N. Nagachandra chief guests, Kadamba Kalapeetha President B. Vidyasagara Kadamba and Udayagiri Kannada Sangha Secretary Jayakumar will be present, Mini Theatre, Kalamandira premises, **5.30 pm.**
- **Sri Thyagaraja Sangeetha Sabha Charitable Trust:** Vocal Concert by Vid. N.H. Shri Hari Bhat, accompanied by violin by Vid. Arjun Dinakar, on mridanga by Vid. Sai Shivu Lakshmi Keshav and on ghata by Vid. P. Subrahmanya Kumar, Sri Lakshminarasimha Temple, SBM Colony, Srirampura, **6 pm.**
- **Suttur Mutt, Mysuru:** Shravana Masa Pujanushtana and Discourse Series, special puja, morning; Mass prayer, **6 pm;** Dr. K. Anantharamu delivers discourse on 'Shivatatva Chintamani,' written by Lakkanna Dandesha; Vaachana by Vidushi Dharitri Anandarao (Mysuru), Suttur Mutt, foot of Chamundi Hill, **6.30 pm to 7.30 pm.**
- **Pragna Shaikshanika mattu Samskritika Trust:** 'Pragna Rangotsava-2024,' drawing competition for High School students, **3 pm;** Valedictory, social activist and Kannada film actor Chetan Ahimsa delivers the valedictory address, Pragna Trust Hon. President Dr. P. Madesh presides, Kannada & Culture Joint Director V.N. Mallikarjunaswamy, theatre director Mime Ramesh, retd. Director of Gandhi Bhavan Dr. S. Shivarajappa and amateur theatre artiste Dr. H.M. Kumaraswamy chief guests, Achievers from various fields will be felicitated, folk songs by Padmapani Lalithakala Academy, Mysuru, **5 pm;** Staging of play 'Manteswamy Katha Prasanga' by GPIER theatre troupe, Kalamandira, **7 pm.**
- **Rangayana:** Staging of play 'Bob Marley from Kodihalli' by Jangama Collective theatre troupe, directed by K.P. Lakshmana, Bhoomigeeta, Rangayana premises, **6.30 pm.**

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TODAY'S MATCHES (AUG. 24)

- GULBARGA MYSTICS VS MYSORE WARRIORS — 3 PM
- NAMMA SHIVAMOGGA VS HUBLI TIGERS — 7 PM

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'Gabbar' bids adieu to international cricket

Shikhar Dhawan

Mumbai, Aug. 24 (Agencies)- One of India's prolific opening batter Shikhar Dhawan, popularly known as 'Gabbar' among cricketing fraternity, announced his retirement from international cricket on Saturday.

Though Shikhar would not be seen donning the Indian's colours anymore, he is expected to continue playing in the Indian Premier League (IPL).

The 38-year-old southpaw, who was last seen playing for India in 2022 against Bangladesh, has scored a total of 6,793 runs from 167 ODI matches with 17 centuries. He also scored seven Test centuries and 11 half centuries in T20Is.

Announcing his retirement in a video posted in his *Facebook* page, Dhawan said, "I always had one goal in mind that was to play for India and I achieved it, thanks to a lot of people. First of all, my family, my childhood coach Tarak Sinha and Madan Sharma, under their guidance, I learnt cricket. Then my entire team with whom I played for years, got another family, fame and everyone's love and support. As it's said that to move ahead in the story you need to flip over the pages. Hence, I'm also doing that, I'm announcing my retirement from international and domestic cricket."

"And now when I'm bidding adieu to my cricketing journey, I have the satisfaction that I played a lot for my country. I'm really thankful to the BCCI (Board of Control for Cricket in India) and DDCA (Delhi & District Cricket Association) for giving me this opportunity and all of my fans for their love and support. I just say this to myself that don't be sad that you won't play for your country again but always be happy that you played for your country. And it's the biggest achievement for me that I played," he added.

Tuition fee reimbursement: Calling Sportspersons

Mysuru, Aug. 24 (VNS)- The Department of Youth Empowerment and Sports (DYES) has invited applications from national and international sportspersons from the State who have won accolades in their respective sports for the reimbursement of tuition fees up to Rs. 50,000.

The eligible sportspersons will get a reimbursement depending on the previous five years' achievement.

Candidates studying in I PUC to Post Graduation (including professional courses) in Central, State Government, Aided and Private Educational Institutions and having represented Karnataka in the National Sports Meet are eligible to apply.

The prescribed application forms should be filled and submitted to the Office of the Assistant Director, DYES, Chamundi Vihar Stadium, Nazarbad, before Sept. 25. For prescribed application forms application form and details, contact Ph: 0821-2564179, according to a press release from Bhaskar Nayak, Assistant Director, DYES.

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Harold & The Purple Crayon (E)	(S-1)	11 am; (S-2) 2.10 pm
Krishnam Pranaya Sakhi (K)	(S-1)	1 pm, 4.05 pm
	(S-2)	10.45 am
	(S-4)	7.05 pm, 10.10 pm
Stree-2 (H)	(S-1)	7.10 pm, 10.10 pm
	(S-4)	10.20 am, 4.10 pm
Powder (K)	(S-2)	4.30 pm, 7.15 pm
Vaazha Biopic of a Billion Boys (Ma)	(S-2)	10 pm
Alien Romulus (E)	(S-3)	10.55 am, 4.50 pm, 7.30 pm
Thangalaan (Ta)	(S-3)	1.25 pm
Bheema (K)	(S-3)	10 pm; (S-4) 1.15 pm

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Bheema (K)	(S-1)	10.50 am
Powder (K)	(S-1)	1.45 pm, 4.20 pm
Footage (Ma)	(S-1)	6.55 pm
Nunakkuzhi (Ma)	(S-1)	9.25 pm
Krishnam Pranaya Sakhi (K)	(S-2)	12.25 am, 6.25 pm, 9.30 pm
	(S-3)	3.45 pm; (S-4) 10.20 am
Bheema (K)	(S-2)	3.50 pm
	(S-4)	1.25 pm, 6.35 pm
Stree 2: Sarkate Ka Aathank (H)	(S-3)	10 am, 12.50 pm, 6.50 pm
	(S-4)	9.30 pm
Hunt (Ma)	(S-3)	9.40 pm; (S-4) 4.20 pm

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Krishnam Pranaya Sakhi (K)	:	9.20 am, 3.55 pm, 6.35, 10.30 pm
Alien: Romulus (E)	:	10.05 am, 1.30 pm, 7.05 pm
Harold & The Purple Crayon (E)	:	11 am, 4.25 pm
Bheema (K)	:	12.45 pm, 7.20 pm, 10 pm
Powder (K)	:	12.45 pm, 6.40 pm
Thangalaan (Ta)	:	1.10 pm
It Ends With Us (E)	:	3.25 pm
Palum Pazhavum (Ma)	:	3.35 pm
Khel Khel Mein (H)	:	4.10 pm
Footage (Ma)	:	9.30 pm
Demonte Colony 2 (Ta)	:	9.45 pm

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Krishnam Pranaya Sakhi (K)	:	9.05 am, 12.30 pm, 4 pm 7.05 pm, 10.30 pm
Stree 2: Sarkate Ka Aatank (H)	:	9.20 am, 12.30 pm, 3.40 pm 6.50 pm, 10 pm
Alien: Romulus (E)	:	10 am, 3.45 pm, 9.30 pm
Bheema (K)	:	10 am, 3.55 pm, 10.15 pm
Powder (K)	:	1.10 pm, 7.25 pm
Kottukkaali (Ta)	:	1.20 pm
Maruthi Nagar Subramanyam (Te)	:	6.25 pm

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Krishnam Pranaya Sakhi (K)	:	9.40 am, 12.50 pm, 3.35 pm 7 pm, 10 pm
Stree 2: Sarkate Ka Aatank (H)	:	9.40 am, 1 pm 7.20 pm, 10.30 pm
Alien: Romulus (E)	:	9.45 am, 1.40 pm 7.30 pm, 10.10 pm
Powder (K)	:	10.50 am, 4.10 pm
Bheema (K)	:	12.25 pm, 4.10 pm, 10.20 pm
Hunt (Ma)	:	4.20 pm
Vaazhai (Ta)	:	6.55 pm

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Stree 2: Sarkate Ka Aatank (H)	:	9.50 am, 3.40 pm, 6.50, 10 pm
Krishnam Pranaya Sakhi (K)	:	9.55 am, 3.50 pm, 9.50 pm
Alien: Romulus (E)	:	10 am, 1 pm, 7.10 pm, 10.30 pm
Harold & the Purple Crayon (E)	:	10 am, 5.20 pm
C (K)	:	12.10 pm
Bheema (K)	:	12.40 pm, 7.20 pm
Thangalaan (Ta)	:	1.15 pm
Footage (Ma)	:	2.35 pm
Powder (K)	:	4.30 pm, 7.30 pm
Palum Pazhavum (Ma)	:	10.20 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15.

Winners of F.K. Irani Golf Tourney

Picture shows the prize-winners of F.K. Irani Memorial Golf Tournament posing with their trophies during the valedictory ceremony held at Sri Kanteerava Narasimharaja Sports Club (KNSC) in city recently. The tournament was organised at Jayachamaraja Wadiyar Golf Club (JWGC). The prize-winners — *(standing from left - front row)* ***Sridhar Singh, Siddharth Gowda, Deepak Jain, Satish, Ramesh Jain, Ramlinge Gowda, Kamalnath, Somaiah, Krishna Gowda, Prakash, Prem, Raghuveer, Surya Kumar and Madan — are seen with*** *(standing from left - back row)* ***KNSC Hon. Secretary D. Vishwanath, Vice-President R. Ajay Kumar Singh, President M.C. Mallikarjun, chief guest Raian F. Irani, JWGC President Dr. Abraham Thomas, JWGC Captain M.S. Yeshwanth, JWGC Secretary Venu Achar and JWGC Tournament Sub-Committee Chairperson Sonam Chugh.***

PKD hosts Mysuru's first ever Submission Grappling Championship

Mysuru, Aug. 24- The PKD OPEN Submission Grappling Championship was hosted by **Prajwal Karate Dojo (PKD),** Mysuru, at Kodava Samaja in Vijayanagar recently.

The event, which was Mysuru's first ever Submission Grappling Championship, drew 150 participants from across the country, competing in various weight divisions and skill levels.

Bengaluru MMA Gym emerged as highest medal winners, bagging 21 medals. Team Genesis, Mysuru, followed closely, securing 18 medals and becoming the second-highest overall medal winners.

Several individual grapplers also stood out for their exceptional performances. **Ashwin Adiga** from IJJ, Bengaluru, captured gold medals in both the 80kg Intermediate Men and the 75kg Advanced Men categories, demonstrating his prowess and technique. **Angel Yatin Patil** from The Factory MMA, Mumbai, made her mark by winning gold in Under-18 years Female Division and silver in the 50kg Beginner Female category.

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